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PREFACE

Music and verse seem to have followed the military throughout history. The Bible tells of Joshua and his use of the trumpet in battle. The epic poems of Greece deal with military engagements. The Romans used drums and trumpets in battle and when on parade.

Through the middle ages, music entertained and signaled troops. Music also instilled comradery, morale and helped build esprit de corps. As time changed, the instruments and bands became more sophisticated.

The bagpipes of the hills and shepherds, the fife and drum, and then the full military bands of later centuries all played their part in military tradition.

Civil Air Patrol, too, has its tradition of military music and verse. During World War II, a technical specialist insignia was authorized for CAP musicians. It was a black satin patch with gold lyre within a gold border, which was worn on the right sleeve. This was changed to white and blue in the 1950's and then discontinued in the 1960s.

During WWII, Orchestra Leader Jose Iturbi served as the National Musician of CAP and coordinated the various musical activities nationwide.

The ballads and marches include all such CAP music which could be located during the almost two years spent on research for this project. The drill songs represent only a sample of the many songs which marching troops have sung through the years.

These bits of music are all part of our tradition which goes back to 1941, when Air Defense was the job of the Air Corps and Civil Defense something new.

The CAP earned its place in history. The "flying minutemen" did the job and gave us a fine example to follow. The songs and music which have been passed down to us, tell the story of their activity and pride. This is the pride and morale which made them fly miles out to sea to protect convoys and today makes us respond to a SAR call at any time day or night.

Since one of the stated goals of the National Historical Committee is to foster "esprit de corps", this project was undertaken to help us all remember our tradition and bring CAP music to each member. Our own music should be available during all CAP ceremonial occasions. Not all CAP units have bands, but perhaps some day, someone will record our music along with Taps and the National Anthem and each unit will have our CAP march and songs to help foster pride and build morale.

SEMPER VIGILANDS

Allan F. Pogorzelski Lt. Colonel, CAP National Historical Committee 1985

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Section I

The Ballads

Included in this section are all songs located, which were not marching songs. Some have survived only in part and the first official song of the Civil Air Patrol was never located.

Also included are the words of the National Anthem. On numerous occations, the writer has heard the Anthem sung at Civil Air Patrol functions, yet it seems many people did not remember all the words. It was included here with the hope that it will help us always remember.

Note: Only Nault's "Ballad of the Civil Air Patrol", has been located recorded. It is on a 45 RPM made c1965.

THE CIVIL AIR PATROL (The First Official CAP Song - 1942)

There are not copies of the words or music available to the first official Civil Air Patrol song. There is, however, an interesting story which explains what happened.

Early in 1942, Miss Dorothy Robinson of Yakima, Washington, wrote a ballad simply entitled "The Civil Air Patrol". She was a pilot and member of the No. 93 (Washington) Wing and sent copies of the song to the Wing Commander R. Hinkley. The wing staff sent letters and phonograph records to National Headquarters CAP in Washington, D.C. This correspondence continued from Washington to Washington, D.C. until October 1942, when this song was designated the "official" CAP song.

In the meantime, Miss Robinson volunteered for the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) and later was selected for WAC Officer Candidate School. As you can imagine, she was kept rather busy and so she left all questions dealing with the CAP song in the hands of the wing and National Headquarters.

Whether by accident, overwork or design, the question of publishing and printing the song went back and forth by mail from the wing staff to Captain Kendell Hoyt, AAF, the National Intelligence Officer.

In December 1942 a song contest was announced. In the next few months, an additional forty to fifty songs were received. Miss Robinson's song was still considered the best, except for one problem. It was not a march. To solve this problem, in April of 1943 an additional song, a march, was also designated as "official". That march, written by Lowell Riley and Jack Price of the Ohio Wing was the second "official" CAP song.

While we have no copy of the first song, we must give credit where credit is due and so, the writer has placed the story of the first "official" CAP song first in line within this monograph.

CAPCP Base 21 Ballad

By Lt. A. C. Kendrick & Lt. Carl Sloan (Sung to the tune of Prisoner's Song)

Now I'd like to tell you the story Of some famous flying bricks. They are put together with some mucilage And some old discarded sticks.

They take damn near all the runway, Their motors spit and spew. And the boys who haven't chewed their cushions Are distinct, in fact damn few.

Oh, we coax and plead with these Stinsons Out over the water for five hours, And these red and beautiful things behind us Are sure as hell not flowers.

Their legs are very spindly And their wings are rather short, But when Robbie dives them at a pony He can really make them snort.

Now there is a pilot named Rev. Williams And his co-pilot Robert Wagstaff Who trusted a Voyager too far And wound up in a rubber life raft.

There is a fine old pilot named Mr. Jesse All the boys call him POP Who flew one into some weather And on his tail he did plop.

There is another fine pilot name Captain Howard Who decided on the short runway. You can get the rest of the story from Teachey Who damn near broke his neck that day.

The mechanics say we have the Gremlins, That our motors will never blink But we let them tell this story To the boys who have been in the drink.

Major cries a well worn story That a Voyager will never fail. And if you don't believe this hokum You will wind up in the Beaufort jail.

Now we are sure going to miss Harkers Island And the barefooted babes galore. But we are sure as hell glad of one thing, We won't have to ride those damn Voyagers no more.

COASTAL PATROL

Tune - Road to Mandalay

Τ

On the highways of the ocean
Where Old Glory is unfurled
Where the grim, gray ships are sailing
With supplies to free the world,
Where the Nazi subs are lurking
There free sailormen extole
Those flying, fighting seamen
Of the Civil Air Patrol.

CHORUS

Of the Civil Air Patrol
Out there pouring on the coal,
You can hear their motors humming
Where the deep blue waters roll
From the sluggish Rio Grande
To Saint Laurence rock-bound bay,
They're the guardians of our shipping
And the submarine's dismay.

II

When the cold gray dawn is breaking
And the wolf-pack hovers nigh'
When the skipper scans the ocean
With a grim and worried eye,
Then a distant sound grows louder
And brings comfort to his soul,
For he knows his ship is covered
By the Civil Air Patrol.

CHORUS

III

When the golden light of sunset
 Marks the closing of the day,
The ship's shadow flees before her
 As she plows her eastward way,
Then a shout comes from the lookout
Pointing towards the sky's red bowl,
 And he grins "Tonight we'll Sleep, boys,
There's the Civil Air Patrol!"

Note: This version of a "Coastal Patrol" ballad (to be sung to the tune of "The Road to Mandalay") came from Beaumont, Texas, CP Base (#10).

SEND OUT THE BARGES

The Fairchild went out o'er the ocean.

The Fairchild went out o'er the sea.

The Fairchild went down on the island,

Oh, send out the barges for me.

Send out, send out the barges for
 me, for me.
Send out, send out, of, send out the barges for
 me.

From Base 17 Report

Words & Music-adopted from a Barracks Ballad c1940.

Handed down by Oral Tradition

The biscuits that they give you They say are mighty fine. One fell off the table And killed a pal of mine.

Chorus:

Oh, I don't want no more of C.A.P. Gee, Mom, I wanna go But they won't let me go Gee, Mom, I wanna go home.

The sweaters that they give you They say are mighty fine It'll take Betty Grable To fill out all of mine.

Chorus

The shoes that they give you They say are mighty fine Your ask for number 7 They give you number 9.

Chorus

The movies that they give you They say are mighty fine You ask for Betty Grable, They give you Frankenstein.

Chorus

The chicken that they give you, They say are mighty fine. One jumped off the table And started marchin' time.

Chorus

The coats that they give you, They say are mighty fine. Me and my buddy Can both fit into mine.

Chorus

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It bounds o'er the land with the greatest of ease,
You hold with your hands and you guide with your knees.
Like the rattles of dish pans and the buzz of the bees
The major now has a jeep.

The Men of the Liaison Patrol

Stranger, pause a while and listen
While I spin a little story
Of the bravery of the men that no one knows;
Then go tell this story, stranger.
Let the world know all about it.
Tell their deeds of guts and valor in this show.

They are those who fly the border.
Jolly lads who fly the river in its course,
O'er the peaks and through the canyons,
Flying low they scare the rabbits in the brush.

They're the "Old Ones" CAPers.
Veterans of the coast and mountains
Strangers to the parachute so much in vogue
Neath the clouds, they fly most gladly.
On through wind and rain they travel
Eyes alert for every happening there below.

On their sleeve, gold cacti gleaming,
On their shoulders, red tabs screaming,
While the Donkey ears adorn their caps before.
These men must walk with a swagger,
Bear the moniker "The Bragger"
On the army's G-2 Board, they write the score.

Dedicated to all the brave men I serve with, fine fellows. Foolish Devils
All members by choice of Liaison Patrol #2.

"Windsor"

Windsor 2nd Lieut., CAPAAFA Asst. Int. Off.

A SPACE-AGE PRAYER

By David A. Robb, Chaplain CAP

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Creative Life, whose galaxies
Are signatures on high,
Whose hand stretched forth the canopies
Of space 'neath which we lie
Whose voice amid the void gave birth
to worlds embraced in sky,
Bless those who venture o'er the earth
And those who dare to fly.

Outreaching Love, whose cares attend
The falling of a bird,
Let Everlasting Arms extend
To strongly undergird;
But should man's knowledge fail, and chart
A course where harms accost,
Then move us with compassioned heart
To seek and save the lost.

Expands and circle still,

Expand our wisdom, love and trust
Round thine encircling Will.

Let missles of our faith transcend
All worldly pulls in space,

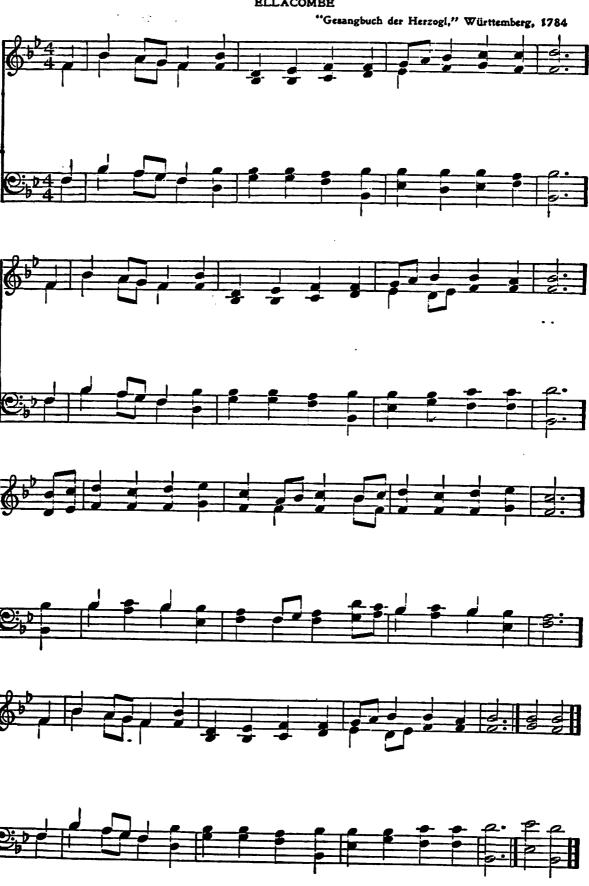
That spirit, deeds, and lives ascend
To realms of heavenly place.

Uplifted Lord, to whom we riseFirst Conquorer of space,
Bless man, "impatient for the skies",
To soar, propelled by grace;
Unstopped by clouds, let upright deeds
Make straight beyond the sod
New highways of our Lord which lead
To skyways of our God!

Written for a Civil Air Patrol Hymn embracing its functions of Aeropace Education, Search and Rescue, and Character Guidance. Dedicated to both the Civil Air Patrol and the Fourteenth Air Force, wherein the author has learned to love the sky.

Tune: Ellacombe CMD





MUSIC COURTESY OF CH (MAS) JAMES ANDERSON, CAP.

The Star Spangled Banner

Oh Say, can you see, by the dawn's early light What so proudly we hailed, at the twilight's last gleaming?

Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thru the perilous fight O'er the ramparts we watched, were so galantly streaming.

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night, that our flag was still there.

Oh, say, does that star spangled banner yet wave, O'er the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

Oh, thus be it ever, when free men shall stand Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation.

Blest with victory and peace, may the heav'n rescued land, Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation.

Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just, And this be our motto, "In God is our Trust".

And the Star Spangled Banner, in triumph shall wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

Section II

Marches

In this section all CAP marches are listed. The four official Civil Air Patrol songs, (Price & Riley 1943, Wenrich 1952, Mills & Myrow, 1959 and Moore & Nell 1960) are included. There has been no music located for Wenrich's cadet song and no lyric could be found for Moen's march.

The Air Force Song, or as presented here the Army Air Corps Song is included because of our special relationship with the Air Force. This version was chosen because it predates the organization of the Civil Air Patrol, 1941 and the United States Air Force, 1947.

Note: "C.A.P. is on the go", was recorded and copies sent to all Civil Air Patrol units in 1960 on a 45 RPM Phonograph record. Some copies are still in service. It was played by the U.S. Air Force Band, and sung by the Air Force Singing Sergeants.

The Civil Air Patrol (A March)

Lyric by Lt. Ted Hanna, CAP Cleveland, Ohio 1943 Music by Walberg Brown WGAR, Music Director

Contact the Civil Air Patrol, We cruise our Country's skies, With ever watchful eyes.

Contact the Civil Air Patrol. On guard the clock around, Aloft or on the ground.

Across the nation, sea to sea, Flash the wings of C.A.P.

To drive the subs from shipping lanes, To rush First Aid across the plain.

To fly you there and back again, The Civil Air Patrol.

-Please note: No music survived for this item.

Marching Song of the C.A.P. (The Civil Air Patrol)

By Don Large Copywright 1943

There's a group of men and women in this mighty land, Who realize the trouble and the danger now at hand.

They've built an organization second to none through out the nation, and their services are in demand.

Where ever you go, what ever you do, The C.A.P. will see you through.

We're the pilots of the C.A.P. We're on duty over land and sea.

Though the way be tough!

and the weather rough!

We'll be on the job until the Axis have enough.

From Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, We guard the ships from lurking death below:

Victory is the goal of the Civil Air Patrol of the Civil Air Patrol.

MARCHING SONG OF THE C. A. P. (The Civil Air Patrol)





CAP IS ON THE GO (The Civil Air Patrol March)

Copyright 1959 New York, N. Y. Mills Music Co. Lyrics by Capt. Robert Mills, CAP Music by Josef Myrow

We are the C-A-P, we're on the go, We're always, always, always on the go, We are ready in peace, Ready in war, Ready for what we're needed for The C-A-P is on the Go.

Down on the ground, Up in the blue, Set to protect the living likes of you, From training cadets to flying patrol, With air supremacy our goal.

We of the C-A-P want you to know
We're always, always, always, on the go.
In this land of the free, we'll protect our liberty
So feel secure to know
That the Civil Air Patrol is on the go.

Adopted by the National Board Civil Air Patrol 1960

THE C. A. P. IS ON THE GO

Arr. by FLOYD E. WERLE, Chief Arranger, U.S. Air Force Band

(The Civil Air Patrol March)

Lyric by ROBERT MILLS Music by JOSEF MYROW

Vocal Lead



Civil Air Patrol

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Lt. John R. Moen

No Lyric Located



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CIVIL AIR PATROL (March Song)

Copyright 1960 Music by Lewis L. Moore, LtCol CAP Lyrics by Neill Mann

The C.A.P., the auxiliary of the United States Air Force.
We fly our planes o'er the land and sea what ever the mission be.

Our men are proud, their standards high Sing praises to the sky United we stand for this great hand. We're the Civil Air Patrol.

- Our flying men stand ever true to uphold our honor, too.
 When duty calls us, we are ready.
 We fly into the blue.
 And when our mission's work is done,
 We know that we have won.
 We have spread our fame, preserved our name forever in the Civil Air Patrol.
- Our boys and girls are in there, too. So courageous, strong and true. Our Chaplains guide them And we train them As part of our fighting crew. And if the Air Force calls them in, They'll qualify as men. They have the finest training We could give them In the Civil Air Patrol.

CIVIL AIR PATROL MARCH SONG

OFFICIAL MARCH SONG OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL

Lyrics by NELL MANN

Music by LEWIS L. MOORE
(LT. COL. - C. A. P.)

ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL BOARD CIVIL AIR PATROL Price 60¢ (IN U. S. A.)



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CIVIL AIR PATROL
AUXILIARY OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Ellington Air Force Base, Texas

The mission of Civil Air Patrol today includes air search and rescue, the capability of providing emergency service in the event of local or national disaster and ----- perhaps the most important and far reaching of all ----- the development in our youth of an awareness of the problems of the Air Age and an interest in their intelligent solution. As an auxiliary of the United States Air Force, Civil Air Patrol is keeping pace with those who keep the peace. Music is a vital part of America and particularly of America's youth. I hope that young people, especially our Civil Air Patrol cadets, will stay in tune with this song.

-- Stephen D. McElroy, Brigadier General, USAF National Commander, Civil Air Patrol

Civil Air Patrol

MARCH SONG

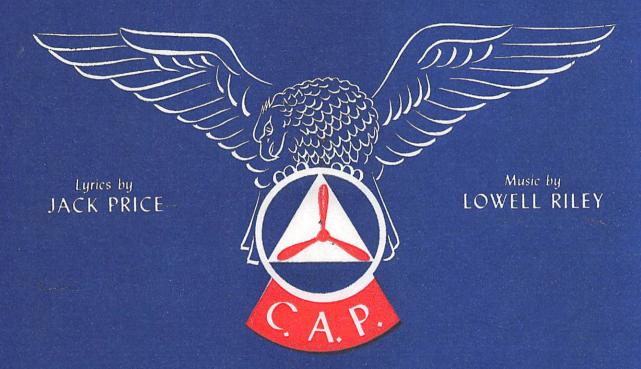








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Official Song of the Civil Air Patrol

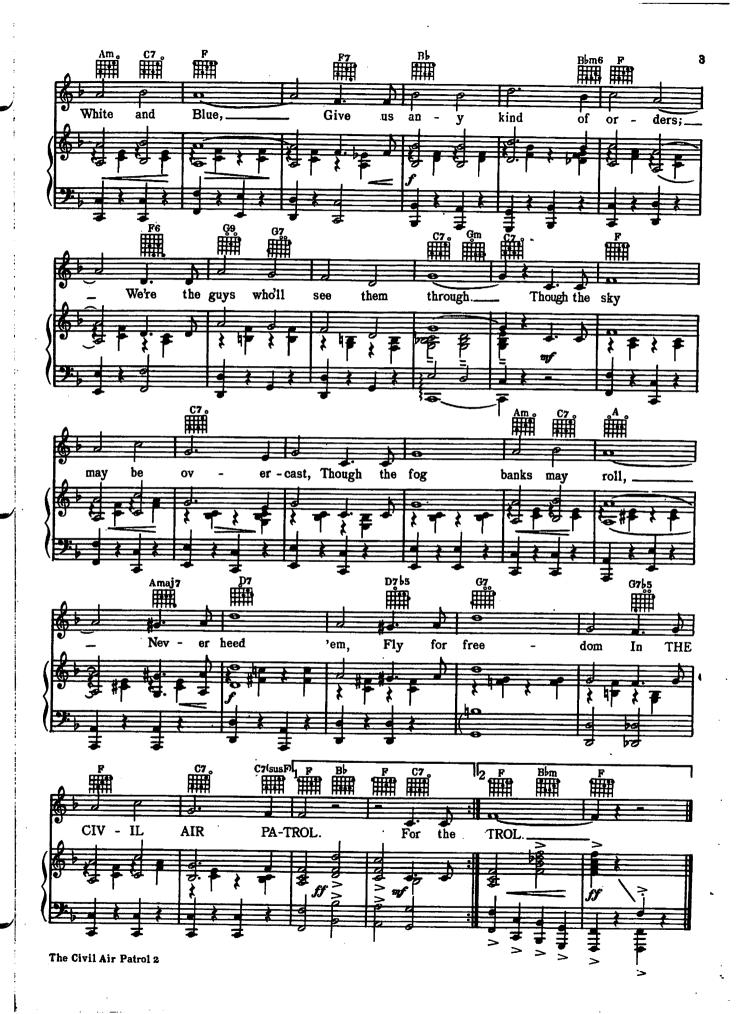
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Civil Air Patrol

MARCH SONG





THE CIVIL AIR PATROL (Official C.A.P. Song)

Words by Jack Price Music by Lowell Riley

> On patrol with eagle eyes, On to victory! We'll Fly anthing that flies; That's the C.A.P.

Chorus
For the glory of Liberty,
For the Red, White and Blue,
Give us any kind of orders;
We're the guys who'll see them through.
Though the sky may be overcast,
Though fog banks may roll,
Never heed 'em, Fly for freedom
In the CIVIL AIR PATROL.

Music by (Official C.A.P. Song) Words by LOWELL RILEY JACK PRIČE March tempo Gm7 Gm Verse gle eyes, On trol ₹B_®m6 Fmaj7 Well fly y ry, Dm7 P. C. Α. the That's flies; that Chorus For the Red, lib of For the glo 33

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Civil Air Patrol March

Lawrence Salerno Copywright 1943

We're the Civil Air Patrol.

We're the war-birds of the sky.

We're the Army's eyes in homeland skies;

that's why we're flying high.

Once our flying was for fun,

Now, it's work instead of play.

We're the practice targets for the guns,
that guard the U.S.A.

We hope and pray
Our turn will come someday
When we are on the coast patrol
To dive and fight
The submarines we sight
and add another to our toll.

We're the Civil Air Patrol
Valiant guardians of the blue,
Till the happy day
when hearts are true,
Then we'll fly home to you.

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CIVIL AIR PATROL MARCH

Betwish Laurence Kling



A MARCHING SONG

CADETS OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL

By: Percy Wenrich

Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol,
Ever ready to fight for what is right,
Ev'ry heart, ev'ry hand, bravely takes a stand,
As we march along with freedom as our goal,
Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol,
Ever bright keep the shining light of Freedom,
And we'll win a victory for C.A.P.
We're Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol.

C.A.P.! C.A.P.! Civil Air Patrol, C.A.P. Yes siree, onward to our goal, Of Liberty, for you and me, Sweet Liberty, C.A.P.!

Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol
Ever ready to fight for what is right,
Ev're heart, ev'ry hand, bravely takes a stand,
As we march along with freedom as our goal,
Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol,
Ever bright keep the shining light of Freedom,
And we'll win a victory for C.A.P.
We're Cadets of the Civil Air Patrol.

16 Jan 1952 Tune - Unknown

WE'RE THE CAP A Marching Song

Words-Anonymous Music-tune to Grand Old Flag Handed down by Oral Tradition from c1940's

We're the CAP and we're so proud to be Ever ready to answer your call In emergency
We'll always be
Ready to come, one and all
We can march
Or fly.
Just send out your cry,
And we'll answer with heart and soul.
So, remember service is the goal
Of the Civil Air Patrol

The Army Air Corps Song*

Off we go into the wild blue yonder,
Climbing high into the sun;
Here they come, zooming to meet our thunder,
At 'em boys, give 'er the gun!
Down we dive spouting our flame from under,
Off with one helluva roar!
We live in fame or go down in flame;
Nothing'll stop the Army Air Corps*.

Here's a toast to the host of those
who love the vastness of the sky;
To a friend, we will send a message
of his brother men who fly.
We drink to those, who gave their all of old,
Then down we roar, to score
the rainbow's pot of gold.
A toast to the host of men we boast, The
Army Air Corps.

Off we go into the wild sky yonder,
Keep the wings level and true.

If you'll live to be a gray haired wonder,
Keep the nose out of the blue!

Flying men guarding our nation's border,
We'll be there followed by more.

In echelon we carry on,
Nothing'll stop the Army Air Corps.

^{*}As far as the author knows, this is the same as the Air Force Song. These verses were taken from the LAWRY FIELD SONG BOOK, 1944.

The Army Air Corps

Official Song of the United States Army Air Corps

Words and Music by ROBERT CRAWFORD



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Section III

Drill Songs

An entire book could be written on drill team songs and marching cadences. All armies have used them through the years to help raise morale and install pride.

If you've ever seen and heard a CAP cadet team at the national competition or seen a sharp flight march down the street of an air base or military post, you have seen "esprit-de-corps". If you have seen the reaction from the regular military who were watching, then you can start to understand the pride that an individual cadet or senior member can have in his or her unit.

The C.A.P. drill songs have etched their place in our history. The most difficult part of organizing this section of the monograph was selecting which of the many songs to include.

The writer has chosen ten samples, which show how CAP units and members have adapted military drill songs for their own use.

The Ants

Words - Anon
Music - When Johnny Comes
Marching Home

Handed down by Oral Tradition c1950

The ants go marchin' one by one Hurrah, Hurrah (Repeat first & second line 2X)

The ants go marchin' one by one
The little one stops (to have some fun)
And they all go marchin'
Down to the ground
To get out of the rain
Boom, boom, boom,
Boom, boom, boom

The ants go marching' two by two Hurrah, Hurrah

Repeat

The ants go marchin' two by two
The little one stops to (tie his shoe)
And they all go marchin'
Down to the ground
To get out of the rain
Boom, boom, boom
Boom, boom, boom

The ants go marchin' three by three Hurrah, Hurrah

Repeat

The ants go marchin' three by three
The little one stops to (climb a tree)
And they all go marchin'
Down to the ground
To get out of the rain
Boom, boom, boom
Boom, boom, boom

The ants go marchin' four by four Hurrah, Hurrah,

Repeat

The ants go marchin' four by four
The little one stops to (shut the door)
And they all go marchin'
Down to the ground
To get out of the rain
Boom, boom, boom
Boom, boom, boom

The ants go marchin' nine by nine
The little one stops to (check the line)
And they all go marchin'
Down to the ground
To get out of the rain
Boom, boom, boom

The ants go marchin' ten by ten Hurrah, Hurrah,
The ants go marchin' ten by ten Hurrah, Hurrah
The ants go marchin' ten by ten The little one stops to say
THE END!

(Variants can be done using individual names, e.g.)

The ants go marchin' one by one
Hurrah, Hurrah
The ants go marchin' one by one
Hurrah, Hurrah
The ants go marchin' one by one
and Ostling stops to have some fun, etc.

CIVIL AIR, THE CIVL AIR PATROL

Tune:

Quartermaster's Corps)

(c) 1940?

For it's tea, tea, tea That makes you want to see

> On Patrol On Patrol

(Repeat first 2 lines)

In the Civil Air

The Civil Air Patrol

Chorus:

My eyes are dim

I cannot see

I have not brought my specks with me

I have not brought my specks with me

For it's gin, gin, gin

That makes you want to (sin)

On Patrol

On Patrol

(Repeat first 2 lines)

In the Civil Air

The Civil Air Patrol

Chrous

For it's meat, meat, meat That makes your want to (cheat)

On Patrol

On Patrol

(Repeat first 2 lines)

In the Civil Air

The Civil Air Patrol

Chorus

For it's rye, rye, rye

That makes you want to (fly)

On Patrol

On Patrol

(Repeat first 2 lines)

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Chorus

HONEY

Lyrics - Anon Music Handed down by Oral Tradition (c1940's)

I don't know, but I've been told Honey, Honey I don't know, but I've been told Babe, Babe I don't know, but I've been told (Rank & Name) is might bold.

Chorus:

Honey, oh Baby Mine Go to your left, your right, your left Go to your left, your right, your left

I don't know, but it's been said,
's heart is made of lead.

I don't know, but I've been told
_____'s heart is made of gold.

We came here to wear out blues
Honey, Honey
We came here to wear our blue,
Babe, Babe
We came here to wear our blues,
But all we do is spit shine shoes
Honey, oh baby mine.

We came here to wear our tans Honey, Honey We came here to wear our tans, But we're only cleaning garbage cans.

We came here to fly machines Honey, Honey But all we do is dig latrines.

We came here all pressed and starched Honey, Honey
But all we do is march and march.

Our D.I. don; t got no wife Honey, Honey Cause he don't know the facts of life Honey, oh Baby mine.

etc, etc, etc.

Lyrics & Music-Anon

Oral Traditon (c) 1940s

You had a good home when you left You're right Your had a good home when you left You're right

Chorus:
Sound off
One, two
Sound off
Three, four
Bring it on down
One, two three, four
One, two
Three, four

Jody was there when you left You're right and Bill was there when you left You're right Jody was there and Bill was there And boy, are they glad you left You're right

Chorus

Don't leave your girl away our west Don't think an Air Force life is best She'd soon be someone else's wife And you'll be marching the rest of your life.

Chorus

LOCOMOTIVE CADENCE COUNT

Lyric - Anon

Handed down by Oral Tradition 1950's

Locomotive Cadence Count (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) Keep your eyes up (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) (Drill Master) Keep your shoulders back (Men in ranks) Three (Drill Master) Nothin' on the ground (Men in ranks) Four Oh, let me hear you sound (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) One Eyes up (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) Two (Drill Master) Shoulders back Three (Men in ranks) Stomach in (Drill Master) Four (Men in ranks) Chest out (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) One (Drill Master) Hup (Men in ranks) Two Hup (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) Three Hup (Drill Master) (Men in ranks) Four (Drill Master Hup Sound off (Drill Master) One, two (Men in ranks) Sound off (Drill Master) Three, four (Men in ranks) Cadence count (Drill Master) One, two, three, four (Men in ranks) One, two (Men in ranks) Three, four (Men in ranks)

OSHKOSH SOUND OFF

Lyric & Music-Anon

Handed down by Oral Tradition c 1950's

Osh Kosh, Conawona Wash Conawana dingo dingo dosh Aily, kaily Conawonna waily Conawanna, dingo, dingo daily Flip Flop, hit 'em with a mop Hit 'em with a dingo dingo dop Am I right or wrong? Absolutely wrong Sound off One, two Sound off Three, four Sound off One, two three, four One, two Three, four

G.I. beans and G.I. gravy
Gee! I wish I joined the Navy
Heppo, hoppo, wring out the moppo
Left, oh, right, oh, left
Your right
Left, oh, right, oh, left
Your right
Sound off
One, two
Sound Off
Three, four
Sound off
One, two three, four
One, two
Three, four

THE SERGEANTS

Lyric-Anon (c1943?)

Handed down by Oral Tradition

The Sergeant, the sergeant; They're trouble one and all, They wake you up in the morning, before the bugle call. Squads left, squads right, guide on down the line,*
And then that dirty son-of-a-gun will give your double time.

Oh! Idee, Diede, Lo'Oh Mighty, who the heck are we? Bif Bam, Grand Slam, We're the C.A.P.

We're Major Johnson's Raiders**
The riders of the night.
 We're the crazy sons of guns,
Who'd rather love than fight.
 But if then fight we gotta,
We do it all the way,
 Defend the right, we'll show the might,
Protect the U.S.A.

Oh! Idee, Diede, Lo'Oh Mighty, who the heck are we? Bif Bam, Grand Slam, We're the C.A.P.

^{*-}Drill commands from the Infantry Grill Regulations (IDR) 1940's **-Just about any Sergeant's or Commander's name would fit.

The Ugliest Guy

Words-Anon
Music-Sippin soda through
a straw

Handed down by Oral Tradition from c1950

The ugliest guy I ever saw Was drillin' here on Kingbridge floor. (Repeat) And now an then His foot would slip And he'd fall down Right where he sits. (Repeat) And now he has A drill team patch, A shoulder cord And boots to match. (Repeat) The moral of My tale is clear. The Bronx Group boys Will win this year. (Repeat)

VIVA LA COMPAIGNE

Lyrics & Words Anonymous Oral Tradition (c) 1940s

Viva L', Viva L' Viva L'Amour Viva L', Viva L' Viva L'Amour Viva L'Amour, Viva L'Amour Viva La Compaigne

Cadets go marching one by one Viva La Compaigne Now our song has just begun Viva La Compaigne

(Repeat first four lines)

Cadets go marching two by two Viva La Compaigne And someone stops to tie his shoe Viva La Compaigne

(Repeat first four Lines)

Cadets go marching three by three Viva La Compaigne And stops to clime a tree Viva La Compaigne

(Repeat first four lines)

This can be continued using words similar to "The Ants."

YELLOW RIBBON

Lyrics-Anon Music-American Folksong (c) 1850

3 "

Handed down by Oral Tradition From (c) 1940's

Around her neck she wore a yellow ribbon She wore it in the springtime And in the month of May Hey, Hey, And when you asked her why She wore the ribbon. She wore it for a cadet who Was far, far away.

Chorus:

Far away, far away. She wore it for a cadet who Was far, far away.

Around her leg she wore a purple garter. She wore it in the springtime
And in the month of May
Hey, Hey
And when you asked her why
She wore the garter.
She wore it for a cadet who
Was far, far away.

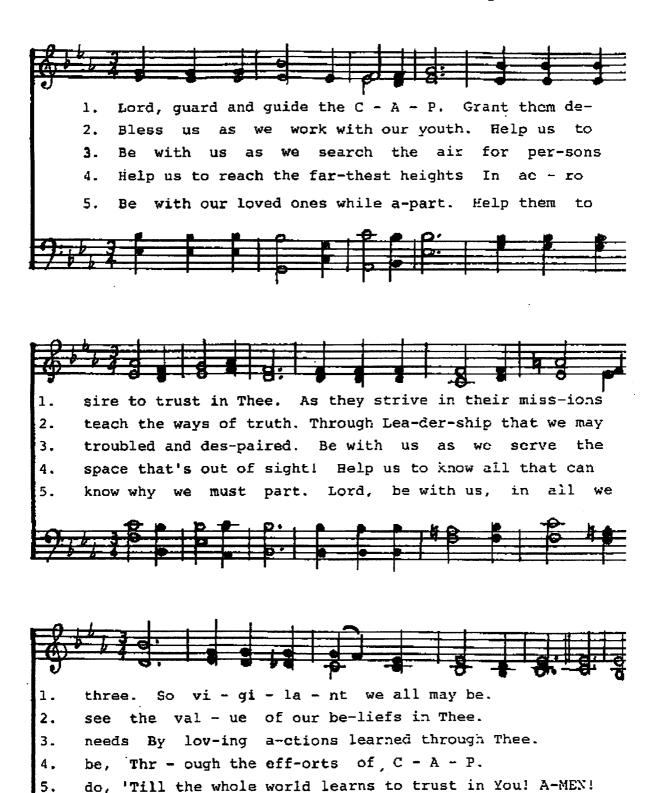
Chorus.

Behind the door her father kept a shotgun
He kept it in the springtime
And in the month of May
Hey, Hey
And when you asked him why
He kept the shotgun
He kept it for a cadet who
Was far, far away.

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The Civil Air Patrol Hymn



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